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THE FAMINE IN IRELAND.

NEW YORK TO THE RESCUE.

Immense Assemblage at the Academy of Music.

Enthusiastic Reception of General McClellan—His Speech.

Three Cheers for President George B. McClellan.

SPEECH OF ARCHBISHOP HUGHES.

Speeches of Judge Daly, Richard O'Garrahan, John McKean, P. H. Moahan, Wm. R. Robinson, Gen. Thomas F. Meagher, Horace Greeley, &c., &c.

The famine in Ireland is causing the most fearful extension and terrible death which the years 1844-7 years of such single calamities in that island. The mother country, with that maternal affection which has always characterized her treatment of her Irishman subjects, turns a deaf ear to the cry of the millions of her wealth to the benevolent purpose of furnishing the Southern rebels with arms and munitions. The city of New York, now as heretofore, has a heart to feel for and a hand to help the destitute poor of Ireland as well as the starving operatives of Lancashire, and the meeting got up under the auspices of a recently formed association styled the Knights of St. Patrick. The object of it was to raise funds for the alleviation of the sufferings which famine brings to its victims. The address which will be given by Captain W. F. Lyons—states that for many months past the most terrible distress has prevailed in many districts of Ireland; but that efforts were made to suppress the fact, in order to cover up the sins of misgovernment.

The weather was not propitious. It rained all day, and the evening rain withered into snow; but neither rain nor snow could dampen or cool the charity and love of country which Irishmen certainly have in as large and generous a degree as any other people on the face of the earth.

The Academy was therefore crowded to its utmost extent. If any other monument than those of patriotism and benevolence were needed, the knowledge that General McClellan had announced his intention to be present would be sufficient to explain the vast concourse.

Archbishop Hughes and Mr. McKean, who were the first to arrive, were met by a large number of the Irish people, who were waiting for them at the door of the Academy.

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DEMOCRATIC MEETING IN NEW YORK.

THE FRANK PLATFORM.

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The "frailty of the democracy" at the Cooper Institute last evening was a pretty extensive demonstration in point of numbers. Although the weather was exceedingly inclement the basement hall of the Cooper Institute was fairly crowded, although there was room for a few more people in some parts of the building. A very fine band engaged the attention of the audience in the earlier part of the evening with some fine melodies, exquisitely played.

At the period for the opening of the meeting approached the numbers of the audience gradually increased until the hall was quite full. A curious feature is that there were no ladies present—all our recent political war meetings having been largely attended by the fair sex, who, without doubt, exercise a small influence on the well being of society.

Among the principal gentlemen on the platform were ex-Mayor Wood, the Hon. A. D. Morgan, G. W. Stearns, Wesley Hall, Professor Armstrong, and others.

The meeting having been called to order in the usual manner, the Hon. Fernando Wood, who was unanimously called to the chair, and briefly returned the thanks of the meeting.

Mr. Wood then read the list of Vice Presidents. The names were then read and adopted. They are as follows:

Resolved, That, as the expression of the sentiment of the community, the city of New York, we condemn the secession of the Southern States, and we are in favor of the restoration of the Union, as a sovereign of the people.

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